CLAIMS

1. A compound represented by general formula (I):

$$\mathbb{R}^{4}$$
 \mathbb{R}^{3}
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aprodrugthereof, or apharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

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 R^1 is a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl group; R^2 is:

- a) a lower alkyl group,
- b) a halo-lower alkyl group,
- 10 c) a hydroxy-lower alkyl group,
 - d) a cycloalkyl group,
 - e) an aryl-cycloalkyl group,
 - f) a heterocycloalkyl group,
- g) an aryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
 - h) an aralkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
- i) an aryl-alkenyl group, wherein the ring of the aryl-alkenyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,

- j) a lower alkyl group substituted with a group selected from a lower alkoxy group or a lower acyloxy group,
- k) an aryloxy-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the aryloxy-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
- l) an aralkyloxy-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyloxy-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
- m) an arylsulfanyl-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the arylsulfanyl-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
- 15 n) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^6 , X^7 and X^8 , or
- o) a heteroaryl-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the heteroaryl-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^6 , X^7 and X^8 ;

 X^{1} , X^{2} , X^{3} , X^{4} and X^{5} are each independently:

a) a halogen atom,

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- b) a lower alkyl group,
- 25 c) a halo-lower alkyl group,
 - d) a cycloalkyl group,
 - e) a lower alkoxy group,

- f) a halo-lower alkoxy group,
- g) a cycloalkyloxy group,
- h) a heterocycloalkyloxy group,
- i) a lower alkoxy-lower alkoxy group,
- j) a hydroxy-lower alkyl group,
 - k) a hydroxyl group,
 - 1) a carboxy group,
 - m) a lower alkoxycarbonyl group,
 - n) an aralkyloxycarbonyl group,
- o) a lower acyl group,
 - p) a cyano group,
 - $q) -A^1 NR^{20}R^{21}$,
 - r) $-A^2-SR^{22}$,
 - s) $-SO_2NR^{23}R^{24}$,
- t) a phenyl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group,
- u) a phenoxy group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group,
- v) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower

alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group,

- w) a heteroaryloxy group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group, or
- x) a lower alkoxy group substituted with a group selected form an aryl group or a heteroaryl group, or
- when two of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 are adjacent each other, they are bonded together to form a group represented by $-O-(CH_2)_m-O-$, $-O-(CH_2)_n-$ or $-(CH_2)_p-$;

R²⁰ and R²¹ are each independently a hydrogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a cycloalkyl group, a heterocycloalkyl group, a bridged cyclic hydrocarbon group, a heteroaryl-lower alkyl group, a hydroxy-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy-lower alkyl group, a lower acyl group, a lower alkoxycarbonyl group, an aralkyloxycarbonyl group or a di (lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group, or

 R^{20} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a cyclic amino group, wherein the cyclic amino group is unsubstituted or substituted with one or two substituents selected independently from the group consisting of:

25 a) a lower alky group,

- b) a cycloalkyl group,
- c) a phenyl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3

substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group,

- d) an aralkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group, or adjacent ring-carbon atoms of the aralkyl group are substituted with $-O-(CH_2)_m-O-$,
- 10 e) a heteroaryl group,
 - f) a heteroaryl-lower alkyl group,
 - g) a lower alkyl group substituted with a group selected from a hydroxyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a carboxy group, an aralkyloxycarbonyl group, a cyclic aminocarbonyl group or a di(lower alkyl)amino group,
 - h) a hydroxyl group,
 - i) an oxo group,

- j) a lower alkoxycarbonyl group,
- k) an aralkyloxycarbonyl group,
- 20 l) a carbamoyl group,
 - m) a lower acyl group,
 - n) a benzoyl group,
 - o) a di(lower alkyl)amino group, and
 - p) a diphenylmethylene group;
- 25 A¹ is a bond, a C_{1-3} -alkylene group or a carbonyl group; $A^2 \text{ is a bond or a } C_{1-3}\text{-alkylene group;}$ $R^{22} \text{ is:}$

- a) a lower alkyl group,
- b) a phenyl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group,
- 5 a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group,
 - c) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group,
- 10 or
 - d) a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group;

 ${\ensuremath{\mathsf{R}}}^{23}$ and ${\ensuremath{\mathsf{R}}}^{24}$ are each independently a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl group, or

 R^{23} and R^{24} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a cyclic amino group, wherein the cyclic amino group is unsubstituted or substituted with a group selected from a lower alkyl group or an aralkyl group;

m is 1 or 2;

n is 2 or 3;

20 p is 3 or 4;

 X^6 , X^7 and X^8 are each independently:

- a) a halogen atom,
- b) a lower alkyl group,
- c) a halo-lower alkyl group,
- d) a hydroxy-lower alkyl group,
 - e) a cycloalkyl group,
 - f) a heterocycloalkyl-lower alkyl group,

- g) a lower alkoxy group,
- h) a halo-lower alkoxy group,
- i) a lower acyl group,
- j) a carboxy group,
- 5 k) $-A^1 NR^{20}R^{21}$,

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- 1) $-A^2-SR^{22}$,
- m) $-SO_2NR^{23}R^{24}$,
- n) a phenyl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group,
- o) a phenoxy group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group,
- p) an aralkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di (lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group,
- q) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1
 25 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group
 consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower
 alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group

and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group,

- r) a heteroaryloxy group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group, or
 - s) an aralkyloxy group; $R^3, \ R^4, \ R^5 \ and \ R^6 \ are \ each \ independently:$
 - a) a hydrogen atom,
- 10 b) a halogen atom,

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- c) a lower alkyl group,
- d) a halo-lower alkyl group,
- e) a lower alkoxy group,
- f) a halo-lower alkoxy group,
- 15 g) a hydroxyl group,
 - h) a cyano group,
 - i) an aryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group,
- 20 a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group,
 - j) an aralkyloxy group, wherein the ring of the aralkyloxy group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group and a halo-lower alkoxy group,
 - k) a di(lower alkyl)amino group,
 - 1) a lower alkylsulfanyl group, or

m) a nitro group, or

when two of R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are adjacent each other, they are bonded together to form a group represented by -CH=CH-CH=CH-, provided that at least one of R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 is other than a hydrogen atom;

with the proviso that the following compounds are excluded:

- (1) 1-acetylaminonaphtho[2,1-b]furan-2-carboxamide,
- (2) 1-benzoylaminonaphtho[2,1-b]furan-2-carboxamide,
- (3) 3-benzoylamino-5-chlorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide,
- 10 (4) 5-chloro-3-[2-(3,4-diethoxyphenyl)acetylamino]-benzofuran-2-carboxamide,
 - (5) 5-bromo-3-[2-(3,4-diethoxyphenyl)acetylamino]-benzofuran-2-carboxamide,
 - (6) 5-chloro-3-(2-chloroacetylamino)benzofuran-2-
- 15 carboxamide, and
 - (7) 3-acetylamino-5-chlorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide.
 - 2. The compound according to claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein \mathbb{R}^1 is a hydrogen atom.

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- 3. The compound according to claim 2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^3 is a hydrogen atom.
- 4. The compound according to claim 3, or a pharmaceutically25 acceptable salt thereof, wherein

 R^2 is:

a) a lower alkyl group,

b) a cycloalkyl group,

- c) an aryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
- d) an aralkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
 - e) a lower alkoxy-lower alkyl group,
- f) an aryloxy-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the aryloxy-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 ,
 - g) an aralkyloxy-lower alkyl group, wherein the ring of the aralkyloxy-lower alkyl group is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 , or
 - h) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^6 , X^7 and X^8 ; and
- X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 , X^5 , X^6 , X^7 and X^8 are as defined in claim 1.
- 5. The compound according to claim 4, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are each independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group or a lower alkoxy group, provided that at least one of R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ is other than a hydrogen atom.

6. The compound according to claim 5, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

 R^2 is:

- 5 a) a cycloalkyl group,
 - b) an aryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 , or
- c) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of X^6 , X^7 and X^8 .
 - 7. The compound according to claim 6, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein
- 15 X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 are each independently:
 - a) a halogen atom,
 - b) a lower alkyl group,
 - c) a lower alkoxy group,
 - d) a halo-lower alkoxy group,
- e) a heterocycloalkyloxy group,
 - f) a hydroxyl group,
 - q) $-A^1 NR^{20}R^{21}$,
 - h) $-A^2-SR^{22}$,
 - i) $-SO_2NR^{23}R^{24}$,
- j) a heteroaryl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower

alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and di(lower alkyl)amino-lower alkyl group, or

when two of X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 are adjacent each other, they are bonded together to form $-OCH_2O-$; and

5 X^6 , X^7 and X^8 are each independently:

- a) a halogen atom,
- b) a lower alkyl group,
- c) a hydroxy-lower alkyl group,
- d) a cycloalkyl group,
- 10 e) a heterocycloalkyl-lower alkyl group,
 - f) $-A^{1}-NR^{20}R^{21}$,
 - g) $-SO_2NR^{23}R^{24}$,
 - h) a phenyl group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group, or
 - i) a phenoxy group, unsubstituted or substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected independently from the group consisting of a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a halo-lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a halo-lower alkoxy group and a di(lower alkyl) amino-lower alkyl group; and

 $\mbox{A}^{1},\mbox{ }\mbox{R}^{20},\mbox{ }\mbox{R}^{21},\mbox{ }\mbox{R}^{22},\mbox{ }\mbox{R}^{23}\mbox{ and }\mbox{R}^{24}\mbox{ are as defined in claim}$ 1.

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8. The compound according to claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, selected from the group consisting of:

- (1) 3-cyclopropanecarbonylamino-5-fluorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
- (2) 5-chloro-3-cyclopropanecarbonylaminobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
- 5 (3) 3-(3-fluorobenzoylamino)-6-methoxybenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (4) 3-(4-fluorobenzoylamino)-6-methoxybenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (5) 5-fluoro-3-(3-methylbenzoylamino)benzofuran-2-
- 10 carboxamide;
 - (6) 3-(benzo[1,3]dioxole-5-carbonyl)amino-6-fluorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (7) 5-chloro-3-(furan-2-carbonyl)aminobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
- 15 (8) 5,7-difluoro-3-(furan-2-carbonyl)aminobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (9) 5,7-difluoro-3-(5-methylfuran-2-carbonyl)amino-benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (10) 3-(5-ethylfuran-2-carbonyl)amino-5-fluorobenzofuran-
- 20 2-carboxamide;
 - (11) 3-(5-ethylfuran-2-carbonyl)amino-5,7-difluorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (12) 6-methoxy-3-(5-phenylfuran-2-carbonyl)aminobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
- 25 (13) 6-fluoro-3-(6-phenoxypyridine-3-carbonyl)amino-benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
 - (14) 6-methoxy-3-(2-methoxyacetylamino)benzofuran-2-

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carboxamide;
    (15) 3-[2-(4-chlorophenoxy)acetylamino]-5-fluorobenzofuran-
    2-carboxamide;
    (16) 3-(2-benzyloxyacetylamino)-5-fluorobenzofuran-2-
   carboxamide;
    (17) 6-chloro-3-cyclopropanecarbonylaminobenzofuran-2-
    carboxamide;
    (18) 3-cyclopropanecarbonylamino-5,7-difuorobenzofuran-2-
    carboxamide;
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   (19) 7-chloro-3-cyclopropanecarbonylamino-5-fluoro-
    benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
    (20) 3-cyclopropanecarbonylamino-5-fluoro-7-methoxy-
    benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
    (21) 3-cyclobutanecarbonylamino-5,7-difluorobenzofuran-2-
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   carboxamide;
    (22) 5-fluoro-7-methoxy-3-(4-methoxybenzoylamino)-
    benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
    (23) 5,7-difluoro-3-phenylacetylaminobenzofuran-2-
    carboxamide;
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    (24) 5,7-difluoro-3-[3-(4-methylpiperazine-1-carbonyl)-
    benzoylamino|benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
    (25) 6-methoxy-3-[3-(4-phenylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl)benzoyl-
    amino|benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
    (26) 6-methoxy-3-[4-(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-ylsulfanyl-
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    methyl)benzoylamino]benzofuran-2-carboxamide;
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(27) 3-[5-(4-benzylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl)furan-2-carbonyl]-

amino-5,7-difluorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;

- (28) 3-[5-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethylpiperazin-1-ylmethyl) furan-2-carbonyl]amino-5,7-difluorobenzofuran-2-carboxamide;
- (29) tert-butyl 4-[5-(2-carbamoyl-5,7-difluorobenzofuran-35 ylcarbamoyl)furan-2-ylmethyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate, and
 (30) 5-fluoro-3-[5-(1-hydroxyethyl)furan-2-carbonyl]aminobenzofuran-2-carboxamide.
- 9. Apharmaceutical composition which comprises, as an active ingredient, a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
 - 10. A therapeutic or prophylactic agent for a disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors, which comprises, as an active ingredient, a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 11. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 10, wherein the disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors is 20 a motor function disorder.
 - 12. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 11, wherein the motor function disorder is Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease or Wilson's disease.

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13. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 10, wherein the disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors is

depression or an anxiety disorder.

- 14. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 10, wherein the disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors is a cognitive function disorder.
- 15. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 10, wherein the disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors is a cerebral ischemia disorder.

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- 16. The therapeutic or prophylactic agent according to claim 10, wherein the disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors is restless legs syndrome.
- 15 17. A pharmaceutical combination comprising a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and at least one selected from anti-Parkinson drugs, antidepressants, drugs for cognitive function disorders and drugs for cerebral ischemia disorders other than adenosine A_{2A} receptor antagonists.
 - 18. A use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for the manufacture of a medicament for treating or preventing a disease mediated by adenosine A_{2A} receptors.
 - 19. A method for treating or preventing a disease mediated

by adenosine A_{2A} receptors, which comprises administering an effective amount of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 8 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.